EXHIBIT A

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

Security and Exchange Commission,

Case No. 20-cv-10832 (AT)

Plaintiff,

-against-

RippleLabs, Inc., Bradley Garlinghouse and Christian A. Larsen,

Defendants,

Jordan Deaton, James Lamonte, Tyler Lamonte,
Mya Lamonte, Mitchell Mckenna, Kristiana
Warner, and all other similarly situated XRP holders.

Proposed Intervenors. :

AFFIDAVIT OF JOHN E. DEATON IN SUPPORT OF MOTION FOR ADMISSION PRO HAC VICE

- I, John E. Deaton, declare under penalty of perjury that the following is true and correct:
- 1. I am the managing partner of The Deaton Law Firm.
- 2. I submit this affidavit in support of my motion for admission to practice *pro hac vice* in the above-referenced matter.
- 3. As shown in the Certificates of Good Standing attached hereto, I am a member in good standing of the Bars of Connecticut, Iowa, Rhode Island, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and the U.S. District Court for the District of Rhode Island.
- 4. There are no disciplinary proceedings against me in any State or Federal Court.
- 5. I have not been convicted of a felony.
- I am not and have never been censured, suspended, disbarred, or denied admission or readmission by any court.

Wherefore your affiant respectfully submits that he be permitted to appear as counsel *pro hac vice* in this case on behalf of Proposed Intervenors, XRP holders and all others similarly situated.

Dated: March 19, 2021

Respectfully submitted,

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